

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A method for dynamic group call from a first user to a group of second users via a network including a server, the method for dynamic group call comprising the steps of:

specifying a predetermined limit as to a number of second users permitted to join the group of second users;

dynamically selecting, by the first user without the network, a selected user for inclusion in the group of second users;

determining whether a number of selected second users is within the predetermined limit;

if the number of selected second users is within the predetermined limit, adding by the first user the selected user to the group of second users;

forwarding a list of dynamic group call members for the group of second users to the network for validation,

receiving a group identification for the list of dynamic group call members if the list of dynamic group call members is valid; and

initiating the dynamic group call between the first user and the group of second users after the list of dynamic group call members is validated and the first user receives the group identification.

2. (Original) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 1, wherein there is further included a step of determining by the first user that the member is to be added to the group of second users.

3. (Original) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 1, wherein if the number of selected second users is not within the predetermined limit, there is further included a step of providing a message to the first user indicating a fault.

4. (Previously Presented) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of adding by the first user includes a step of transmitting the list of second users by the first user to the second user and to the network.

5. (Original) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 4, wherein there is further included a step of storing the member in a database corresponding to the dynamic group call.

6. (Original) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 1, wherein there is further included a step of creating the network a group identity.

7. (Previously Presented) A method for dynamic group call from a first user to a group of second users via a network including a server, the method for dynamic group call comprising the steps of:

specifying a predetermined limit as to a number of second users permitted to join the group of second users;

dynamically selecting, by the first user without the network or the server, a selected group of second users;

determining whether a number of the selected group of second users is within the predetermined limit;

if the number of selected second users is within the predetermined limit, adding by the first user the selected group of second users;

forwarding a list of dynamic group call members for the group of second users to the network for validation,

receiving a group identification for the list of dynamic group call members if the list of dynamic group call members is valid; and

initiating the dynamic group call between the first user and the group of second users after the list of dynamic group call members is validated and the first user receives the group identification.

8. (Original) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 7, wherein there is further included a step of determining by the first user that the dynamic group call is adding the group of second users.

9. (Original) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 7, wherein if the selected number of second users is not within the predetermined limit, there is further included a step of providing a message to the first user indicating a fault.

10. (Previously Presented) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 7, wherein the step of adding by the first user includes a step of transmitting the list of second users by the first user to the selected second user and to the network.

11. (Original) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 10, wherein there is further included a step of storing the group of second users in a database.

12. (Original) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 7, wherein there is further included a step of creating the network a group identity.

13. (Original) The method for dynamic group call as claimed in claim 7, wherein there is further included a step of determining whether a number of users exceeds a predetermined limit.

14-43. (Cancelled)

44. (Previously Presented) In a first mobile unit, a method for dynamic group call from the first mobile unit to a group of second mobile units via a network including a server, comprising the steps of:

specifying a predetermined limit as to a number of second mobile units permitted to join the group of second mobile units;

dynamically selecting, by the first mobile unit without the network, at least one other second mobile unit for inclusion in the group of second mobile units;

determining whether a total number of selected second mobile units is within a predetermined limit;

if the total number of selected second mobile units is within the predetermined limit, adding by the first mobile unit the selected second mobile unit to the group of second mobile units;

forwarding a list of dynamic group call members for the group of second mobile units to the network for validation,

receiving a group identification for the list of dynamic group call members if the list of dynamic group call members is valid; and

initiating the dynamic group call between the first user and the group of second mobile units after the list of dynamic group call members is validated and the first user receives the group identification.

45. (Previously Presented) The first mobile unit as claimed in claim 44, wherein there is further included a step of determining by the first mobile unit that the second mobile unit is to be added to the group of second mobile units.

46. (Previously Presented) The first mobile unit as claimed in claim 44, wherein if the number of selected second mobile units is not within the predetermined limit, there is further included a step of providing a message to the first mobile unit indicating a fault.

47. (Previously Presented) In a first mobile unit, a method for dynamic group call from the first mobile unit to a group of second mobile units via a network including a server, comprising the steps of:

specifying a predetermined limit as to a number of second mobile units permitted to join the group of second mobile units;

dynamically selecting, by the first mobile unit without the network or the server, selected second mobile units;

determining whether a number of selected second mobile units is within the predetermined limit;

if the number of selected second mobile units is within the predetermined limit, adding by the first mobile unit the selected second mobile units to the group of second mobile units;

forwarding a list of dynamic group call members for the group of second mobile units to the network for validation,

receiving a group identification for the list of dynamic group call members if the list of dynamic group call members is valid; and

initiating the dynamic group call between the first user and the group of second mobile units after the list of dynamic group call members is validated and the first user receives the group identification.

48. (Previously Presented) The first mobile unit as claimed in claim 47, wherein there is further included a step of determining by the first mobile unit that the dynamic group call is adding the group of second mobile units.

49. (Previously Presented) The first mobile unit as claimed in claim 47, wherein if the selected number of second mobile units is not within the predetermined limit, there is further included a step of providing a message to the first mobile unit indicating a fault.

50. (Previously Presented) The first mobile unit as claimed in claim 47, wherein the step of adding by the first mobile unit includes a step of transferring the by the first mobile unit the selected second mobile unit to the network.

51. (Previously Presented) The first mobile unit as claimed in claim 47, wherein there is further included a step of determining whether the number of second mobile units exceeds a predetermined limit.

52. (Currently Amended) The method for claim 1 further comprising if the dynamic group call list is invalid, providing a message by the network to the first user that a failure has occurred[;].

53. (Currently Amended) The method for claim 1 further comprising if the dynamic group call list is validated, storing a dynamic group call identity by the first user[;].

54. (Currently Amended) The method for claim 1 further comprising determining by the network whether a dynamic group call identifier is available in a database wherein the database has a plurality of identifiers[;].

55. (Previously Presented) The method for claim 54 further comprising if there is a dynamic group call identifier available in the database, creating a unique group ID for the dynamic group call list from one the plurality of identifiers.

56. (Previously Presented) The method for claim 54 if dynamic group call identifier is not available from the plurality of identifiers, selecting by the network a previously used dynamic group call identifier from the plurality of identifiers for the dynamic group call list.

57. (Currently Amended) The method for claim 7 further comprising if the dynamic group call list is invalid, providing a message by the network to the first user that a failure has occurred[;].

58. (Currently Amended) The method for claim 7 further comprising if the dynamic group call list is validated, storing a dynamic group call identity by the first user Previously Presented

59. (Currently Amended) The method for claim 7 further comprising determining by the network whether a dynamic group call identifier is available in a database wherein the database has a plurality of identifiers[;].

60. (Previously Presented) The method for claim 59 further comprising if there is a dynamic group call identifier available in the database, creating a unique group ID for the dynamic group call list from one the plurality of identifiers.



61 (Previously Presented) The method for claim 59 if dynamic group call identifier is not available from the plurality of identifiers, selecting by the network a previously used dynamic group call identifier from the plurality of identifiers for the dynamic group call list.